



Frequently Asked Questions

2016 Street and Utility Projects



What streets are included?

Preliminary planning calls for the following streets will be included: North Starr Avenue, East Hughes Street, Paperjack Drive, East River Drive, West River Drive, Fairfield Road, Summit Road, and North Shore Drive. To view the 2015-2016 Street/Utility Improvements Map, click [HERE](#).

When will construction begin?

An exact date has not yet been finalized, but pending City Council approval, construction will likely begin in the late spring of 2016. However, preliminary planning work must be completed prior to road design and construction. This preliminary work will be done in summer and fall of 2015, and will ensure that the actual construction can occur next year in the most timely and fiscally responsible manner possible. As part of this preliminary work, expect to see utility companies, surveyors, and soils testing firms working along these roads. For everyone's safety, please be patient and drive with caution.

When is the public informational meeting?

An exact date has not yet been finalized, but the first public informational meeting will likely be held in fall of 2015. Residents living along these streets will receive a letter in the mail. The meeting date will also be publicized in the newspaper and on the City's website and social media accounts. This meeting will be an opportunity to learn more, but more so to consider options and provide input that the City may be able to incorporate into the design of these projects. If you have ideas, suggestions, or questions, the City wants to hear from you!

I live along one of these streets. How will my property be affected?

City staff, consultants and contractors will work to minimize the impact on each property-owner along the proposed project routes. We will require that access for local traffic is maintained, but the routes may be closed to through traffic for portions of the project. No decision has been made yet regarding assessments to adjacent property owners.

What is the total project cost?

Since decisions about the design of these projects have not yet been made, the total project cost is subject to change. With that being said, early estimates anticipate a total project cost of \$5.5 million. Sources of these funds include New Richmond Utilities, Storm Water Utility funds, sidewalk assessments, State Trust Fund loans, and bonds.

How do I stay informed about the project?

The City of New Richmond will share important information, including project updates and meeting details, through the New Richmond News and the City's website and social media accounts. Plan to attend any public informational meetings to ask questions and share your ideas.

Who do I contact with questions?

Contact Jeremiah Wendt, Public Works Director for the City of New Richmond, with any additional questions. He can be reached at 715-246-4268 or jwendt@newrichmondwi.gov.